

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Reiner Laus et al.

Application No.: 10/666,122

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For: IMMUNOTHERAPEUTIC COMPOSITIONS
AND METHODS FOR THE TREATMENT OF
MODERATELY TO WELL-
DIFFERENTIATED CANCERS

Examiner: L. A. Bristol


RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Response is to the Restriction Requirement dated April 4, 2006.

This Response is accompanied by a Petition for a One (1) Month Extension of Time, up to and including June 5, 2006 (June 4, 2006 being a Sunday), and the required fee. It is believed that no fee(s) other than the fee for the Petition for the One (1) Month Extension of Time is required for this submission. Should, however, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determine that any other fee(s) is due or that a refund is owed for this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge the required fee(s) and/or credit the refund(s) owed to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

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Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-20, drawn to immunotherapeutic compositions) for examination at this time. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to request rejoinder of other restriction groups and, in particular, rejoinder as a matter of right the method claims related to Groups II, III, and IV, as provided under MPEP § 821.04.

In addition, Applicants hereby elect the prostate cancer species for prosecution on the merits at this time. It is believed that each of claims 1-20 read on the prostate cancer species. Further, in view of this species election, Applicants request consideration of claims to additional species that, written in independent form or otherwise, include all limitations of a later allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR §1.141. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited. The Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney if there are any questions prior to allowance of this matter.

Dated: June 5, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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